



**Applegate School**

## Jog-a-thon Nets Funds for School Enrichment

The Applegate Jog-a-thon fund raiser held Friday, Oct. 17 was successful – already \$9,000 has been deposited, and additional monies are expected until the Nov. 5 turn-in deadline.



Applegate students ran fast and hard during our Jog-a-thon. Students raised over \$9,000 so far, with more monies expected by Nov. 5. This event is a result of efforts by staff, parents, and community.

The event was organized primarily by Jim Scull, 4/5 teacher at Applegate with support from other staff members.

This year's event will culminate in a Jog-a-thon assembly complete with pies in the face of willing staff members. Several staff members are already doomed to this sweet fate, but the school's Principal

and others are safe unless the total tops \$10,000, and then, nobody is safe! The monies are deposited into classroom ASB accounts and are spent to support and enrich learning.

Last year, for example, Justin Montano, Applegate Middle School teacher, purchased Chromebooks for his classroom using these funds, and now students are able to work on these computers to learn math and science. These funds also support field trips and other special projects which bolster teaching and learning at our school.

## Enrichment Programs off to a good Start at Applegate

- **SMART STARTS**

*SMART received the 2014 Library of Congress Literacy Award, and we're pleased to associate with this great reading program. Volunteers come each Wednesday to work with our K-2 students.*



- **MUSIC SOUNDS ACROSS CAMPUS**

*The music program has had its first full month and has experienced a strong start at Applegate School. Brad Irvin, Allison Huber, and Teressa Holmes come to Applegate on Wednesdays and Thursdays for ½ days to teach guitar, violin and music appreciation to our students.*



*They are shared between Williams and Applegate, and are able to provide music to our students at Applegate thanks to a generous gift from the Friends of Applegate.*

*Between the two schools, nearly 40 students are learning to play the guitar, 10 are learning the violin, and approximately 60 K-2 students are singing and dancing through music appreciation.*

- **"GOOD NEWS" HAPPENS AT APPLLEGATE**

*"Good News" is the name of the Bible study program in which many of our students participate. Wednesday is "Good News Day" at Applegate School, when student catch a bus to Applegate Church, where they engage in religious study, then return in time to catch the bus. The program takes one hour each Wednesday.*

- **ROBOTICS UNDERWAY**

*The Applegate Robotics Team has begun studying and bulding robots in order to compete in the First LEGO League competitions slated across Southern Oregon.*



*A total of 10 students grades 4-8 are participating in the program Tuesdays and Wednesdays after school.*

*Applegate parents Bill and Seana Hodge are volunteering their time to "coach" the Robotics team. This program is made possible thanks to a donation from the Friends of Applegate.*

## **Cougar Athletics in Transition**

### **VOLLEYBALL SEASON ENDS WITH ONE LOSS**

*The Cougar volleyball team finished the season with just a single loss, and coaches Heather DeVos and Sandra Garoutte were able to develop younger players throughout the season.*



*The team completed the season with a game at Hidden Valley High School. Rival Ruch was willing to travel the extra distance so our students were able to compete in the gym they will enjoy as their home court when in high school.*

### **COUGAR BOYS BASKETBALL STARTS NOV. 3**

*The Applegate Cougars boys basketball team will begin practice November 3.*



*Coaches Austin Bristow and Heather DeVos will lead their charges this season in competition against the Southern Oregon Middle School Athletic Conference (SOMSC) Small Schools division.*

*Opponents include St. Mary's, New Hope Christian, Ruch, South Middle School Bronze, Prospect, Butte Falls, and Sacred Heart.*

### **NEW OFFICERS ELECTED FOR STUDENT COUNCIL**



The Applegate School recently elected student body officers for the 14/15 school year. Grades K-8 voted in the election.

The officers are, bottom left to right: Lorelei McNally, Historian, Liam Hodge, Treasurer, Kennedy Smock, Secretary. From top, left to right: Gabe Vidlak, Vice-president, and Josh Saunders, President.

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